

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Chaplain (Colonel) Morris E. Nelson's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, Chaplain Nelson devoted more than 30 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a leader in the Air Force and as a Chaplain in the Army, serving in Afghanistan during Operation Noble Eagle, as well as many state support missions; and,

*Whereas*, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

*Whereas*, Chaplain (Colonel) Nelson continues to give of himself; and,

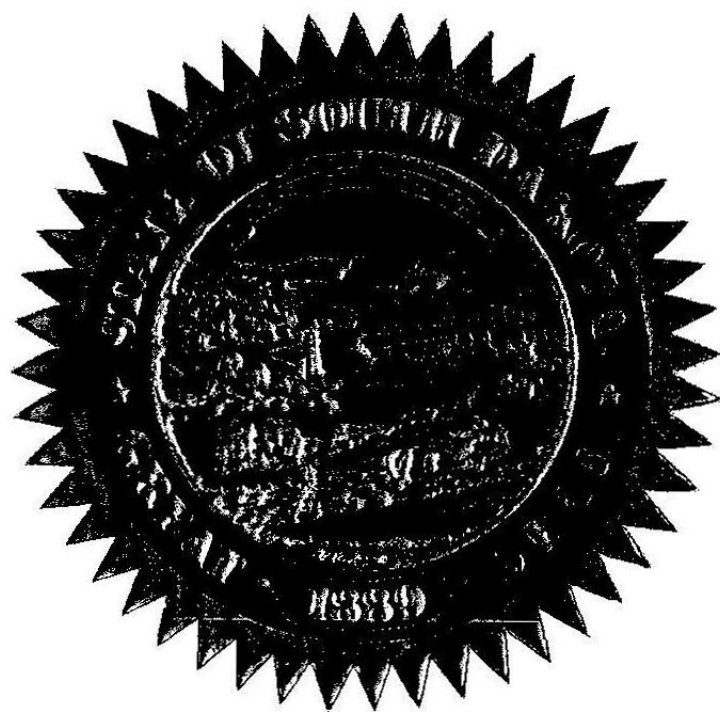
*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Chaplain (Colonel) Morris E. Nelson for more than 30 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 6, 2006, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.



*M. Michael Rounds*  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

*Chris Nelson*  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State